

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/724,153	TSUNOMOTO ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 7/31/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,2,6-18,22-30,32,34,36-38,40 and 42-46.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-2, 6-18, 22-30, 32, 34, 36-38, 40, 42, and 43-46 are allowed.

Accordingly, applicant's claims are allowed for these reason and these reasons recited by applicant in amendment filed on 7/13/2006, and 2/22/2006.

Applicant's independent claims 1-2, 17-18, 32, 34, 40, and 42: The present in invention is directed to an information device, comprising as define in the specification (paragraph 0090-0181), independent claim identifies the uniquely distinct feature "wherein said wireless LAN access hot spot criteria include a telephone number in an area where a user desires wireless LAN access hot spot location data, and a first memory section which stores a first table data including a relationship between a plurality of telephone numbers and a plurality of hot spots, wherein each of said plurality of telephone numbers corresponds to one of said plurality of hot spots, said plurality of hot spots is in or near a place corresponding to one of said plurality of telephone numbers, wherein said search section searches said hot spot based on said first table data". Applicant's independent claims 1-2, 17-18, 32, 34, 40, and 42 comprise a particular combination of element, which is neither taught nor suggested by the prior art.

Applicant's independent claims 6, 22, 36, and 44: The present in invention is directed to an information device, comprising as define in the specification (paragraph 0090-0181), independent claim identifies the uniquely distinct feature "wherein said wireless LAN access hot spot criteria include an address in an area where a user desires wireless LAN access hot spot location data, and a second memory section

which stores a second table data including a relationship between a plurality of addresses and a plurality of hot spots, wherein each of said plurality of addresses corresponds to one of said plurality of hot spots, said plurality of hot spots is in or near a place corresponding to one of said plurality of addresses, wherein said search section searches said hot spot based on said second table data". Applicant's independent claims 6, 22, 36, and 44 comprise a particular combination of element, which is neither taught nor suggested by the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."


Conclusion

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Khai M. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571.272.7923. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-5:00.

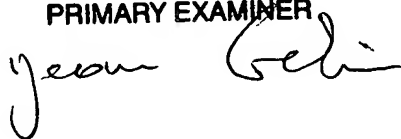
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, George Eng can be reached on 571.272.7495. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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